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WASHINGTON STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

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FINAL AGENDA

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DATE: **May 9, 2001**
TIME: **8:45 AM – 5:00 PM**
LOCATION: Lincoln High School
701 South 37th Street
Tacoma, Washington 98418
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**** PLEASE NOTE:** Times below are estimates only. The Board reserves the right to alter the order of the agenda. For information regarding testimony, handouts, or other questions, please call the Board office at (360) 236-4110.

- 8:45 a.m.**
- 1. Call to Order****
 - 2. Approval of Agenda—Action**
 - 3. March Minutes—Adoption**

- 8:50 a.m.**
- 4. Cost and Access to Health and Medical Services**
 - *Aubrey Davis, CEO Emeritus and Founding Member, Group Health Cooperative*

BOARD PRIORITY ISSUE: HEALTH DISPARITIES

- 9:20 a.m.**
- 5. Welcome**
 - *Grant Hosford, Principal, Lincoln High School*
 - *Lyle Quasim, Chief of Staff, Pierce County Executive and Member, Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health*
 - *Federico Cruz-Uribe, MD, MPH, Director of Health, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department*
 - *Bil Moss, Tacoma City Council Member*

BOARD PRIORITY ISSUE: HEALTH DISPARITIES (CONT.)

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- *Tom Hilyard, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Department of Social and Health Services*
- *Dr. Shirl Gilbert, President, Tacoma Urban League*

- 9:45 a.m. 6. Panel of Students of Color Pursuing Health Careers**
- *Introduction by Joe Finkbonner, State Board of Health Member*
 - *Students and Alumni of Lincoln High School*
- 10:10 a.m. 7. Overview of Health Disparities Data on Disproportionate Disease Burden and Improved Health Outcomes from a Diverse Health-Care Workforce**
- *The Honorable Margaret Pageler, JD, State Board of Health Member*
 - *State Board of Health Staff*
- 10:20 a.m. 8. Review of Findings, Report on “Racial and Ethnic Discrimination in Health Care Settings,” Public Health Seattle-King County**
- *Michael Smyser, Epidemiologist, Public Health Seattle-King County*
- 10:40 a.m. 9. Overview of Findings about Health Workforce Development Pipeline, List of Programs that Seek to Increase the Number of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Pipeline, and Guidelines for Successful Programs**
- *Vickie Ybarra, RN, MPH, State Board of Health Member*
 - *State Board of Health Staff*
- 10:50 a.m. 10. Program Presentation—Lincoln High School**
- *Steve Schain, Special Education Teacher, Lincoln High School*
 - *Charles Weatherby, MD, physician and Lincoln High School graduate*
 - *Ron Leighton, Board Member, Merle Palmer Minority Scholarship Foundation*
 - *Tim Herron, Teacher, Lincoln High School*
- 11:20 a.m. 11. Program Presentation—GEAR-UP**
- *John McLain, GEAR-UP Program Director, Higher Education Coordinating Board*
 - *Minh-Triet Vo, GEAR-UP participant, Wilson High School*
 - *Thanh-Hang Nguyen, GEAR-UP participant, Foss High School*
 - *Jason Ramos, GEAR-UP alumni and first year pre-medicine student, University of Washington*
- BOARD PRIORITY ISSUE: HEALTH DISPARITIES (CONT.)**
- *Andrea Valdez, GEAR-UP alumni and first year nursing student, University of Washington*

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- 11:45 a.m. Break for Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. 12. Program Presentation—Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement**
- *Patricia MacGowan, State Director, Washington MESA*
 - *Brenda Walker, Director, Tacoma Pierce-County MESA*
 - *MESA Students, Parents and Alumni*
- 1:30 p.m. 13. Program Presentation—Gates Foundation**
- *Kyle Miller, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (invited to participate)*
- 1:45 p.m. 14. Overview of Proposed Report Card**
- *Vickie Ybarra, RN, MPH, State Board of Health Member*
 - *State Board of Health Staff*
- 1:55 p.m. 15. Discussion of Efforts to Increase Student of Color Participation and Success in K-12 and Higher Education Systems**
- *Teresa Stone, Supervisor, Health and Human Services Pathway, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction*
 - *Rhonda Coats, Director of Student Services, State Board for Community and Technical Colleges*
 - *Magda Costantino, Director, Evergreen Center for Educational Improvement*
 - *Charlie Garcia, Assistant Dean for Multicultural Affairs and Director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs, University of Washington School of Medicine*
 - *Myron Apilado, Minority Affairs Director, University of Washington*
- 2:40 p.m. 16. Public Testimony on Health Disparities and Other Health Issues**
- 4:10 p.m. 17. Board Discussion and Possible Action**
- 4:25 p.m. 18. Department of Health Update**
- *Mary Selecky, Department of Health Secretary*

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- 4:45 p.m. 19. Update on Research Efforts to Support Priority Setting for 2001-03**
▪ *Craig McLaughlin, State Board of Health Staff*
- 4:50 p.m. 20. SBOH Staff Announcements and Other Board Business**
▪ *Don Sloma, State Board of Health Executive Director*
a. Warren Featherstone Reid Award
b. Washington State Library
c. HRSA Grant
d. Individual Market Oversight Committee
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn**

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As of: May 3, 2001

Addressed to Board

For more information, see the Board website at <http://www.doh.wa.gov/sboh> or contact Heather Boe at (360) 236-4104.

Letter to the Board of Health, Health Disparities Subcommittee Members Regarding the Health Disparities/Minority Healthcare Workforce Development

Source: Western Washington Area Health Education Center (AHEC), April 30, 2001

Letter to the Board of Health, Health Disparities Subcommittee Members Regarding the Health Disparities/Minority Healthcare Workforce Development

Source: Eastern Washington Area Health Education Center (AHEC), April 25, 2001

Letter to the Board of Health Regarding The Lifelong AIDS Alliance

Source: Lifelong AIDS Alliance, March, 2001

A letter introducing the formation of the above-mentioned group.

Letter to the Board of Health Regarding the Continuation of the Efforts of the Minority Health Care Workforce Development Work Group

Source: Washington State University Spokane, April 25, 2001

A letter stating AHEC's desire to take the lead on the formation of the above-mentioned work group.

Letter to the Board of Health Regarding NASHP Publication, State-based Mandatory Reporting of Medical Errors: An Analysis of the Legal and Policy Issues

Source: Lifelong AIDS Alliance, April 2, 2001

A letter introducing the above-mentioned new publication.

Conferences

The Eighth International Symposium on Functional Medicine

Sponsored by: The Institute for Functional Medicine, Inc.

May 22-26, 2001, Vancouver, British Columbia

Showcases the researchers and clinicians who influence the course of medicine. This Symposium is focused on endocrine disturbances of aging and will be a balance between basic science and the clinical implications of these topics.

For more information, call (800) 228-0622 or visit their website at www.fxmed.com.

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Governor's Interagency Committee of State Employed Women 2001 Biennial Training Conference

Sponsored by: The Interagency Committee of State Employed Women

June 4-6, 2001, Yakima, WA

This conference provides a forum in which working women at all levels can explore imaginative ideas and adopt innovative techniques to help them rise to new levels of responsibility, recognition, and reward.

For more information, contact Karen Dunn at (360) 956-2096 or visit their website at www.wa.gov/icsew.

Washington Behavioral Healthcare Conference

Sponsored by: The Washington Community Mental Health Council

June 6-8, 2001, Yakima, WA

For more information, call (206) 464-7965 or visit their website at www.wcmhcnet.org.

95th Annual Summer Convention: Are we there yet? Moving into the Future of Transportation

Sponsored by: Washington State Association of Counties

June 12-15, 2001, Yakima, WA

For more information, call (360)753-1886 or by fax at (360) 753-2842 or visit their website at www.wacounties.org.

Combined Summer Institute with a Focus on Educating: Autism, Blind/Visually Impaired, Deaf/hard of Hearing, Significant Disabilities

Sponsored by: Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction

July 9-13, 2001, Yakima, WA

This year's Combined summer Institute has been designed to allow you to participate in several ways, either focusing on a specific content area or selecting from an assortment of electives.

For more information, call (800) 228-0622 or visit their website at contact Gail Omdal at (360) 416-3414.

Correspondence from the Board

For more information, contact Heather Boe, Washington State Board of Health, at (360) 236-4104 or by email at heather.boe@doh.wa.gov.

Letter to the House Health Care Committee Regarding Substitute House Bill 6020

Source: Washington State Board of Health, March 20, 2001

SSB 6020 – An Act Relating to Access to Dental Care

Letter to Representative Jeannie Darneille Regarding Substitute House Bill 1759

Source: Washington State Board of Health, March 15, 2001

SSB 1759 – Legalize pharmacies selling syringes

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Letter to the Public Regarding Early Notice on Planned Changes in Administrative Rule – WAC 246-680 – Prenatal tests – Congenital and Heritable Disorders

Source: Washington State Board of Health, April 25, 2001

Letter to Representative Carolyn Edmonds Regarding Substitute House Bill 1320 on Food Safety in Adult Family Homes

Source: Washington State Board of Health, March 15, 2001

SHB 1320 – Food Safety in Adult Family Homes

Letter to Mr. Mike Wright Regarding Cell Phones

Source: Washington State Board of Health, April 24, 2001

General Interest

Franklin County Resolution No. 2001-147

Source: Franklin County Board of Commissioners, March 26, 2001

Proclaiming April as Child Abuse Prevention Month

For more information, contact the Franklin County Board of Commissioners Office at (509) 545-3535.

Crossing the Quality Chasm: A New Health System for the 21st Century

Source: Committee on Quality of Health Care in America, Institute of Medicine, 2000

For more information, see NAP's website at <http://www.nap.edu/openbook/0309072808/html/1.html>

2001 Tobacco, Alcohol, and Other Drug Abuse Trends in Washington State

Source: Department of Social and Health Services, March 12, 2001

For more information, see the Board website at <http://www.doh.wa.gov/sboh> or contact Heather Boe at (360) 236-4104.

2000 Annual Report – Attorney General of Washington

Source: Attorney General's Office, April 13, 2001

For more information, call (360) 753-6200.

PIRT Summary to the Legislature Pesticide Incident Reporting and Tracking Review Panel

Source: Washington State Department of Health, February, 2001

For more information, contact Lynden Baum at (888) 586-9427, by email at lynden.baum@doh.wa.gov or visit their website at www.doh.wa.gov

Final Report from the Tacoma Urban League on Risk Communication: Empowering and Improving Dialogue with the Salishan Low-income and Disadvantaged Community of Tacoma, WA

Source: Tacoma Urban League, December, 1998

For more information, contact the Tacoma Urban League at (253) 383-2006.

Get the “B” Attitude – Preventing NTDs

Source: March of Dimes, March, 2001

For more information, see the Board website at <http://www.doh.wa.gov/sboh> or contact Heather Boe at (360) 236-4104.

Publications

Advances: The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Quarterly Newsletter

Source: The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, 2001

In this Issue:

Covering Kids Communications Campaign Uncovers Misconceptions and Boosts Inquiries; New RWJF Web Site Now Online; From Research to Action; Profile – Sharyn Sutton, PhD; Immunizations: Through the Eyes of Parents; Immunization Registers Could Save Costs; Controlling Alcohol Use: Support for Policy is High But Legislative Follow-Through Often is Lacking; Race, Insurance Affect Treatment and Mortality in Colorectal Cancer; Valued Life Activities Guide End-of Life Decisions in the Elderly; Indemnity Insurance: Disappearing by Choice; States and Merchants Freely Violate Laws Prohibiting Sale of Tobacco to Minors; Pittsburgh Initiative Seeks Elimination of Medical Errors; How One State is Looking into the Future of Long-Term Care; Selected Grants; New Grant Results Reports Posted on RWJF Web Site; People.

For more information, contact advances@rwjf.org.

Community Perspectives–The Newsletter of the Washington Community Mental Health Council

Source: Washington Community Mental Health Council, March 2001

In this Issue: Message from the Chair; Council Keeping Its Eye on the Ball; Loss of a Friend; This Can't Help; Ann Brand Leaves Her Mark; Washington Community Mental Health Council and Nami Washington Named National Award Winners; Holistic Approaches for People with Brain Disorders (NBD); Exorcising Demons of KHMER Rouge: Cambodia has been without Psychiatrists since 1970s, but is now using a Local Doctor to Train New Ones; Luther Child Center 100-Year Anniversary; Reunion Celebration and Open House; Art Show Benefits Art Therapy at Compass Health; Grant Mental Healthcare Achieves Joint Commission Accreditation; Seattle Mental Health Purchases Mentor Health Northwest; Marva McGrath Retires as Executive Director of CRMHS; “Pebbles in the Pond” Expands in Pierce RSN; Statewide Behavioral Healthcare Conference June 6-8 in Yakima.

For more information, contact advances@rwjf.org.

Disease Management News

Source: National Health Information, LLC, February 2001

In this Issue:

CorSolutions expects \$60-\$70 million in '01 revenues; Alere lands contract with California and Washington State PacifiCare units; Kaiser region plans expansion of CHF program; firm offers first independent anti-coagulation program; MAMSI pact with CareWise augments diabetes program.

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Disease Management Advisor

Source: National Health Information, LLC, March 2001

In this Issue:

Boost Cholesterol management efforts with a simple, systematic approach; for best results, experts urge providers to broaden cholesterol-lowering efforts; senior CHF patients grow accustomed to automated voice technology.

For more information, contact National Health Information at (800) 597-6900, by email at nhi@nhionline.net, or on their website at www.nhionline.net.

Disease Management Advisor

Source: National Health Information, LLC, April, 2001

In this Issue:

Diverse approaches to DM and CM are ready for HCFA's scrutiny; Focus like a laser-beam on hypertension; Take advantage of e-communications to boost care of the chronically ill.

For more information, contact National Health Information at (800) 597-6900, by email at nhi@nhionline.net, or on their website at www.nhionline.net.

Environmental Health VOICES

Source: NIEHS Center for Ecogenetics and Environmental Health, Spring 2001

In this Issue:

Letter from the Director; Research Profiles: Ethical, Legal, and Social Implications of Genetic Research; When Cells Go Bad; Mercury Warning; COEP Staff; Environmental Health for Middle Schools; Videoconferences: Youth Network for Healthy Communities; Teacher Profiles; Youth Voices at Town Meeting; Community Action Profile: SPU's EJ Pass It on Project; and EH Voices Listserv Highlights.

For more information, contact National Health Information at (404) 607-9500 or by fax (404) 607-0095.

State Health Notes

Source: National Conference of State Legislatures, March 12, 2001

In this Issue:

Cover Story – Medicaid expansions in the 1980s and welfare reform in 1996 served to “delink” medical assistance from cash benefits. Now, a few states are trying to further the goal by moving Medicaid from health to insurance panels.

StateSpeak – Alan Weil, a former Colorado Medicaid chief, now director of the Urban Institute's Assessing the New Federalism program, discusses how the shift in responsibility for an array of social programs is progressing

Highlights – ME governor's health agenda...National outcomes database...NC patients' bill of rights...CT suit vs. managed care plans...Physicians Medicaid fraud...Medicaid-school lunch link...SCHIP outreach...VA, AR abortion limits, NARAL survey...NJ youth smoking ad campaign...Stamping out diabetes...Changes in D.A.R.E...RADAR website.

Tracking Trends – With prisons filled to capacity, substance abuse treatment is getting more attention from state officials.

Ideas & Innovations – For former public assistance recipients, finding a job is step one. In Pittsburgh, a program focused on job retention has gains in lessening dependence on welfare.

For more information, contact NCSL at (303) 830-2200.

State Health Notes

Source: National Conference of State Legislatures, March 26, 2001

In this Issue:

Cover Story – As patients swamp emergency rooms, many hospitals are going on “divert status,” sending ambulances carrying noncritical patients to other facilities. Here’s a look at what three states are doing to address the crisis.

Focus On – Birth defects are the top cause of infant deaths, but few states have monitoring and surveillance systems in place to collect data, direct families to intervention/support programs.

Highlights – MN Kids Coalition...Childhood poverty survey...School-based health centers...Childhood obesity...Soft drinks in schools...Smoking & SIDS...Nurses in the workforce, schools...”Death with Dignity” stats...12-market cost survey...ME purchasing alliance.

Tracking Trends – Last fall, states won the option of covering low-income and uninsured women for breast and cervical cancer treatment via Medicaid. An update.

Medicaid Monitor – The Faces of Medicaid paints a picture of the chronically ill and disabled, in numbers and words.

For more information, contact NCSL at (303) 830-2200.

State Health Notes

Source: National Conference of State Legislatures, April 9, 2001

In this Issue:

Cover Story – After reaching historic lows, Medicaid spending rates are on the rise. As of February, 23 states were reporting cost overruns for the current fiscal year, and next year’s forecasts are even gloomier.

Primary Care News – Everybody talks about the nurse shortage, but the North Carolina Center for Nursing has devised a plan—and some incentives—to do something about it.

Highlights – MN special needs waiver. . .LA CommunityCARE extension. . .Business insurance survey. . .Flexible tax credit. . .Coverage for older women. . .Women & smoking. . .Reports, litigation on tobacco ads. . .Injury prevention month. . .U.S. Supreme Court ruling on SC drug testing policy. . .Advance directives.

Tracking Trends – School-based health centers are filling a need, especially for teens. Here’s a state-by-state census.

Ideas & Innovations – An IOM report outlines an agenda for designing a quality health care delivery system for the 21st Century.

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State Health Notes

Source: National Conference of State Legislatures, April 23, 2001

In this Issue:

Cover Story – Rapid growth in the US prison population and rising health care costs make providing services to inmates a growing challenge. Two states—California and Nebraska—are debating major reforms of their prison health systems to ensure that inmates receive “adequate” care.

Highlights – VA asthma partnership...Update: AIDS Drug Assistance Programs...IA behavioral health care partnership...MS loan repayment program...new MI web site for seniors.

Medicaid Monitor – Detroit is home to the largest settlement of Arab-Americans in the US. A new program reaches out to the disabled within that community.

Feature Article – The prison population has been disproportionately affected by AIDS but their problems have remained largely in the shadows. Now, states are looking at programs to test, treat and teach prevention methods.

Health Talk – In San Francisco, a small outbreak of syphilis involving people who met on Internet “chat rooms” raises the issue of responsibility for educating on safe sex and preventing disease.

Vital Signs – Behind bars: A look at some of the most common health conditions in the nation’s prisons and jails.

For more information, contact NCSL at (303) 830-2200.

WSMA Reports

Source: Washington State Medical Association, March 2001

In this Issue:

Newsclips – FDA proposes new form for prescription drug labeling; Pediatricians urged to target at-risk youth for HIV-testing; Happy Doctor’s Day; WSM-ERF studies available to members; Gray’s Anatomy online; WSMA Leadership Conference May 11 & 12; Send us your email address; Please send in your 2001 membership dues today...

CMEs – Upcoming courses

Update from Physicians Insurance – Defending against the phantom phone call

Insurance Q & As – Federal administrative standards on the horizon

Letters from the Editor – MQAC follow up

Drug Errors – In the aftermath of drug recalls: physicians, pay attention to the labels

Classifieds and Newsmakers

For more information, contact (206) 441-9762 or www.wsma.org.

WSMA Reports

Source: Washington State Medical Association, April 2001

In this Issue:

What’s behind Medicaid program’s intractable and thorny cost woes.

Newsclips – Seattle’s Minor & James Medical lauded; New HCA medical director; Free practice guideline on treating tobacco dependence; Births to adolescents push U.S. women’s health care down in rankings; Registration for fall 2001 PA exam underway; New coding services from Pointshare

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Update from Physicians Insurance – Report claims early and often

Risk Management – Malpractice cases straightforward, conflicts of interest less so

As I See It – HIPAA's impact on practice: Leadership opportunity for physicians

Medication Mishaps – Seeking solutions from WSMA members

Classifieds and Newsmakers

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